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Cholera raging at Fatshan.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE,
Washington, D. C., March 22, 1902.

SIR: For the information of the U. S. Marine-Hospital Service, I have the honor to advise you of the receipt of a telegram from the consul of the United States at Canton, China, dated to-day as follows:

Cholera raging in Fatshan, abating decidedly Canton.

Respectfully,

JOHN HAY,
Secretary of State.

HON. SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY.

CUBA.

Reports from Cienfuegos, Casilda, and Santa Cruz del Sur.

CIENFUEGOS, CUBA, March 17, 1902.

SIR: Through the chief quarantine officer for the island of Cuba, I have the honor to forward the following weekly report of the transactions in the district under my command, for the week ended March 15, 1902:

Ten deaths have occurred in this city; of these 1 occurred in the civil hospital. No contagious diseases reported. Causes of death as follows: Tuberculosis, 4; paludism, 1; anæmia, 1; aneurism, 1; insufficiency, aortic, 1; entero-colitis, 1; stillborn, 1. Death rate per 1,000 inhabitants, 13.04. Ten vessels inspected and passed, granted free pratique; 3 vessels admitted without inspection; 14 bills of health issued vessels leaving this port, and 1 alien steerage passenger inspected and allowed to land.

Seven of the cases of parotitis, left behind for medical treatment by the battleship *Indiana*, were discharged from the "Quinta de Salud" March 11; clothing, hammocks, and bedding of patients were disinfected under my personal supervision, and after changing clothing the patients were taken on board the gunboat *Yankton*.

The following cases are still in hospital under treatment, visited daily by Dr. Stuart of the *Yankton*: Parotitis, 2; bronchitis, 1; pleurisy, 1; bubo (nonvenereal), 1; syphilis, 1.

Casilda.—Acting Asst. Surg. Alejandro Cantero reports 6 deaths in the city of Trinidad. No contagious diseases reported; 11 vessels inspected and passed, granted free pratique; 8 bills of health issued vessels leaving Casilda, and no alien steerage passengers landed at that port.

Santa Cruz del Sur.—Acting Asst. Surg. Pedro M. Quevedo reports no deaths at that port during week ended March 8. No contagious diseases reported in that vicinity; 4 vessels inspected and passed, granted free pratique; 5 bills of health issued vessels leaving that port, and no alien steerage passengers landed at that port.

Respectfully,

FELIX GIRALT,
Acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.